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In re Application of:

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Serial No.: 09/702,374

Filed: October 30, 2000

For: METHODS FOR EXTENDING THE
FRESHNESS OF CUT FLOWERS,
ORNAMENTAL TREES AND PLANT
CUTTINGS

Group Art Unit: 1616

Examiner: Alton Nathaniel Pryor

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1. AMENDMENT; 2. RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 3, 2003

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

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This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated April 3, 2003 for which the date for response was July 3, 2002. A request for a three-month extension of time to respond is included herewith. This three-month extension will bring the due date to October 3, 2003, which is within the six-month statutory period. The Commissioner should consider this paragraph as authorization to withdraw the appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from Williams, Morgan & Amerson, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-0786/4380.000400.

Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.